

# MIAMI BEACH

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## LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE: December 12, 2014

SUBJECT: **2014 South Beach International Amateur Golf Tournament**

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The City of Miami Beach Parks and Recreation Department is proud to announce that the 2014 South Beach International Amateur (SBIA) will be taking place at Miami Beach and Normandy Shores Golf Clubs from December 19<sup>th</sup> thru December 22<sup>nd</sup>. Practice Rounds will begin at both courses on Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup>. The tournament begins Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> at both courses and concludes at Miami Beach Golf Club on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The tournament's preliminary field has been announced and in just its fourth year is currently predicted to be ranked in the "Top 15" amateur golf tournaments in the world, up from last year's ranking of 26<sup>th</sup>. For the third straight year, the SBIA will be a "Worldwide Major" in amateur golf. There are 71 players in the tournament ranked in the "Top 600" in the world, including the 2014 United States Amateur Champion Gunn Yang (Korea) and his runner up Corey Conners (Canada).

Of the 210 participants, 108 are international players representing 29 countries including the French, Italian, Swedish and German National Teams. They will be joined by many of the world's top juniors and representatives from top collegiate programs in addition to several of the top mid-amateurs and reigning British Senior Amateur Champion Brady Exber.

Join us and be a part of the excitement as you will be able to watch some of the best amateur golfers in the world, some of whom you will be following on major professional tours in the not too distant future.

We appreciate the assistance from volunteers, of which many are club members. Their assistance has helped us make this event one of the most prestigious in the world. We strongly urge you to come by the courses and watch the world's finest amateur golfers. We look forward to seeing you at the 2014 South Beach International Amateur!

Accommodations have been made for members to play at alternate courses during the tournament dates.

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Cc: John Rebar, Director, Parks and Recreation  
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